

Hi! My name is Phoebe England. I'm a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student attending Walled Lake Northern High School. I would like to talk to you about the M.M.E, Michigan Merit Exam that I will be required to take next year in order to graduate. None of the three tests, M-STEP, S.A.T, and A.C.T. Work-keys will count towards my grades or my G.P.A. I feel three solid days of testing is too much. Especially, the ACT Work-keys. This test can follow me for the rest of my life! Employers 20 years from now could look at my results from this test to decide if they will hire me or not. All based on a test taken in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. How is that fair?!

We need to get rid of these requirements and focus back to learning, not testing!

Thank you for hearing me speak this afternoon.

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